

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A method for stretch blow molding a wide-mouthed container, employing a preliminary stretching before stretch blowing without making an upper body portion thickened so as 5 to thin the wall thickness from the connecting portion between the mouth portion and the body portion, thereby preventing the thickening phenomenon at the subjected portion. A preform having a large diameter mouth portion, a body portion and a bottom portion is injection molded within an injection mold.

10 The preform is released from the injection mold in a state where the inside thereof is still in a high temperature while holding the mouth portion of the preform with a lip mold. Then, the preform is transferred to a blow mold as it is. Before the stretch blow molding step of the preform, a stretching rod is

15 descended in a predetermined length to preliminary stretch the body portion in some extent. After thinning a connecting portion of the upper body portion between the body portion and the mouth portion, the entire body portion is stretch blow molded into a wide-mouthed container.